

MINUTES OF THE  
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORKSHOP MEETING HELD ON MAY 16, 2005  
(Approved June 6, 2005)

The Board of Supervisors held their Workshop Meeting on Monday, May 16, 2005. Present for the meeting were supervisors Robert F. Preston, W. Atlee Rinehart, David K. Leinbach, Jay Doering, and Timothy Roland. Also, in attendance were John A. Koury, Jr., Township Solicitor and Brady Flaharty of ARRO Consulting, Inc. Mr. Preston called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A public hearing was held for the adoption of ordinance regarding notification of development. Mr. Doering moved to adopt Ordinance No. 133 as amended. Mr. Leinbach seconded the motion. Mr. Rinehart opposed. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote. Amendments being, Section 1.A.5 in the last sentence change the word 'may' to 'shall', Section 1.C delete 'the time and place of the public meeting', Section 1.E.3 delete 'In addition, the date, time, location of the public meeting shall be clearly visible'.

**1. MINUTES**

Minutes of the May 2, 2005 Monthly Meeting

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2005 monthly meeting as amended. Mr. Leinbach seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Amendments being under subheading, Reports, in the seventh paragraph the motion should say 'Mr. Leinbach moved to have the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer check for a land development plan for this property and check if a building permit was issued.'

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Mark Vogel inquired about the status of sewer extension project. Mr. Vogel noted concerns of the EDU's necessary for the sewer expansion. Mr. Preston noted the timing of obtaining the EDU's is being handled in a way to ensure cost-effectiveness for the residents. Mr. Preston noted the project is on schedule and the North Coventry Municipal Authority expansion target date is June 10, 2008. Mr. Leinbach suggested a timeline be formulated for the sewer extension project affecting the East Cedarville/Earl Drive corridor. It was noted the design being performed by EDM Consultants will be available this fall. Mr. Leinbach moved to produce a timeline for the sewer projects. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The timeline for the sewer projects will be discussed at the June 20, 2005 workshop.

Ms. Terry Gdowik of Kulp Road noted concerns of traffic and speeding issues on Kulp Road. Ms. Gdowik noted sight distances issues with traffic pulling out of Maack Road onto Kulp Road. Mr. Leinbach moved to authorize the Township Engineer to prepare a proposal to do a traffic study of Kulp and Maack Roads for a 3-way stop sign. Mr. Roland seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Maria Geho of Kulp had concerns of tri-axles speeding up Kulp Road and crossing bridges they should not be using. Mr. Leinbach requested the local developers, All County

Partnership/Berks Homes be notified.

### **3. OTHER BUSINESS**

#### Act 209 Resolution

Mr. Rinehart moved to reconstitute the impact fee advisory committee appointments (Jerry Dames, Jr., Rosemarie C. Miller, Timothy Manley, John Canale, Jr., James Redding, Larry Schear and Jay Raspen) as read and the duties be expanded to include those in the MPC which provides for annual review. Mr. Leinbach seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The Act 209 resolution needs to be revised.

#### Fee Schedule Resolution

Mr. Leinbach moved to adopt Resolution No. 2005-08 revising the East Coventry Township schedules of fees as amended. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. Mr. Rinehart opposed. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

### **4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### Township Building Furniture

Mr. Leinbach moved to approve the township building furniture purchase in the amount of \$57,891.80. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### NPDES Phase II

Mr. Preston stated grey water areas should be investigated. Mr. Preston suggested the Township Engineer letter dated May 2, 2005 be discussed in executive session. Mr. Doering moved to create policy for NPDES matters and discuss at the June 20, 2005 workshop. Mr. Leinbach seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment

The nonconforming lot issues and mixed dwelling issue will be addressed in the new zoning ordinance. Recommendations for both will be reviewed at the June 13, 2005 zoning meeting.

#### Oxychem

The Board of Supervisors signed the signature page for the Oxychem and the letter will be sent. Mr. Roland will set up a date for Oxychem to do a presentation at a Board of Supervisors meeting.

#### Road Flooding

Mr. Preston presented a map showing drain systems in East Coventry Township. There was a brief discussion regarding stormwater.

### **5. PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Mr. Leinbach moved to approved payment of bills as presented. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **6. ADDITIONAL ITEMS BROUGHT TO THE BOARD**

Mr. Roland asked if there are any other areas in the Township, other than Maack and Kulp Roads, which should be looked at regarding traffic issues. Mr. Preston noted some

intersections will be included in the Act 209 study and additional intersections causing concerns should be presented to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Rinehart noted the Veteran's Ceremony would be held at the Ellis Woods Cemetery on May 29, 2005.

Mr. Leinbach stated Spring Hollow Stone should be going to citation due to their earth moving activities if no land development application has been received.

Mr. Leinbach noted a zoning hearing board application received by Mr. and Mrs. Sweigart and the Board of Supervisors agreed to not take a position and refer to the zoning hearing board.

Mr. Leinbach noted a zoning hearing board application received by Mr. and Mrs. Magee concerning location of a horse barn. Mr. Leinbach moved to oppose Application No. 206 and send the Code Official and the Township Solicitor to the hearing. Mr. Roland seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Leinbach stated a zoning hearing board application from NV Homes and questioned the status of the applicant. It was requested the Township Manager send a rejection letter.

Mr. Leinbach noted a letter received from Ms. Carol Tucci regarding the Parkerford beautification project. Mr. Leinbach suggested mowing and trimming be done every other week starting June 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005 and one mulching in June.

Mr. Preston noted a letter received from Mr. Barry Kerchner and the Township Solicitor suggested such issue be discussed in executive session.

Mr. Doering moved to authorize the Township Solicitor to revise Section 308 of the sewer ordinance to include the entire Act 537 service area as one district and authorize advertisement for ordinance adoption on June 6, 2005. Mr. Leinbach seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Roland noted the proposed development on Keen Road and it was requested a letter to East Vincent and PennDot regarding traffic controls. Mr. Leinbach noted that if any of the land lies within East Coventry Township a dual application should be submitted.

Mr. Rinehart moved to approve fire police requests for Historical Commission Parkerford Walk on July 21. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Township Manager referenced a grant for the clearing of Fricks Locks Village and the Board of Supervisors requested the clearing work be completed and the grant utilized.

Mr. Walter Woessner asked if a sketch plans require official approval. The Board of Supervisors noted an official approval is required for sketch plans and a resolution is to be developed by the Township Engineer and Township Solicitor.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The monthly meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m. An executive session was held to discuss police contracts.

Respectfully submitted,

David K. Leinbach  
Township Secretary